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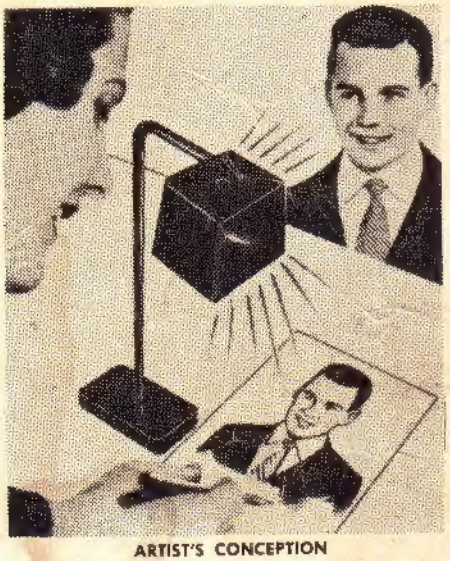

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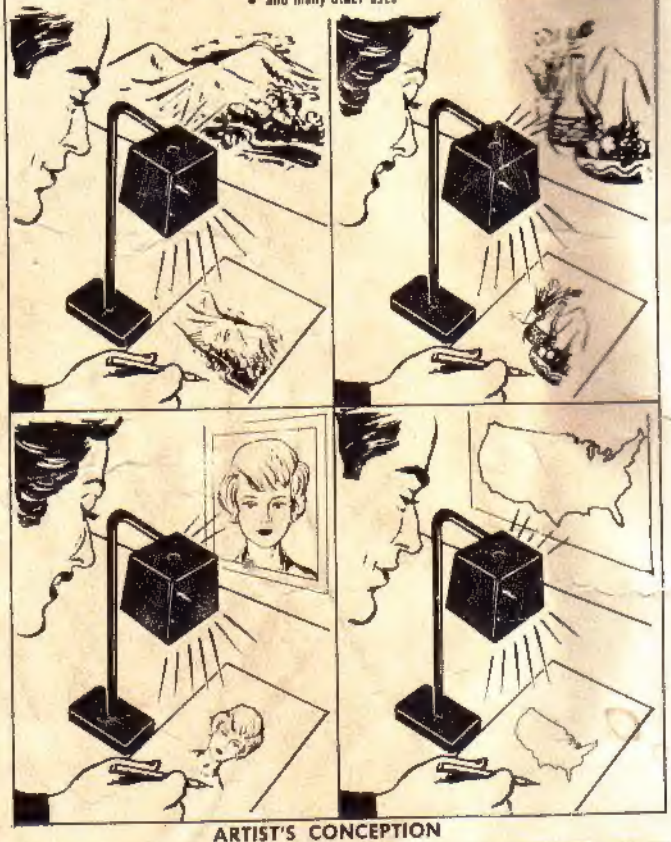

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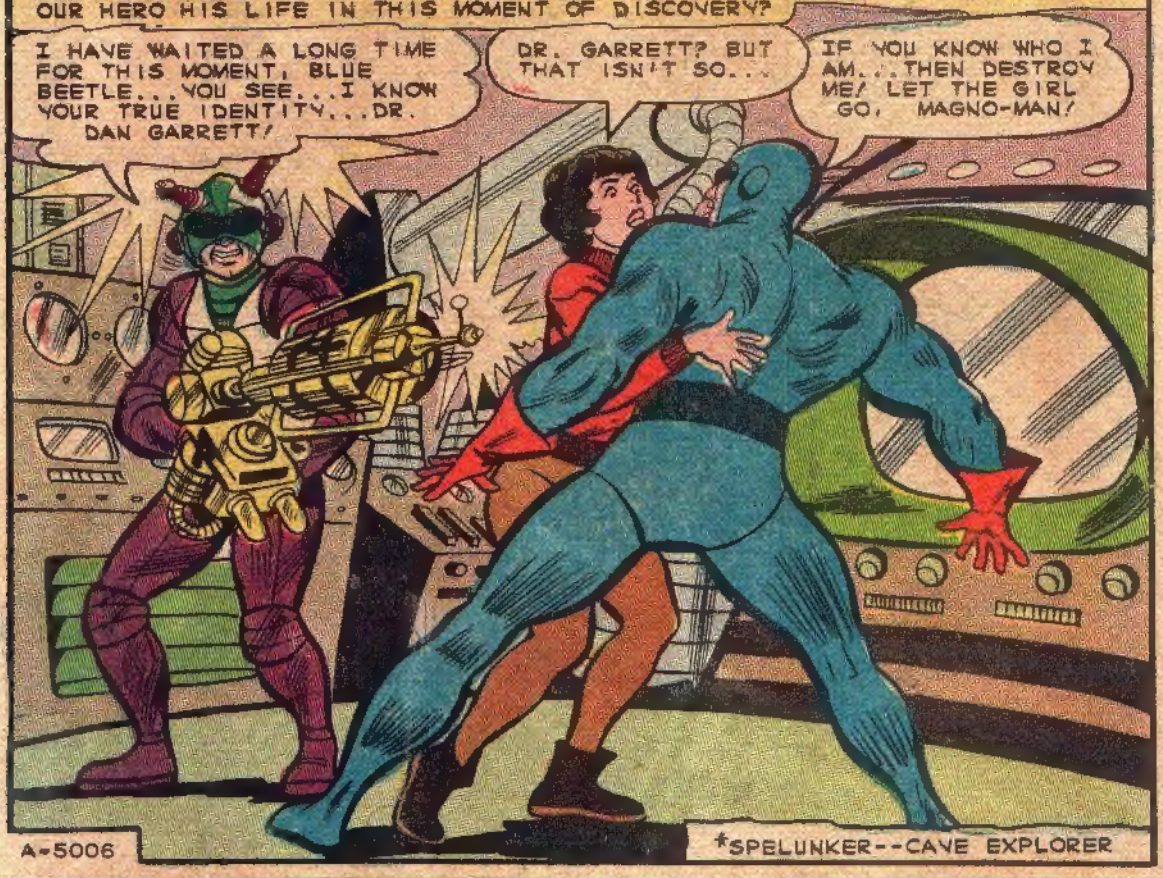
# MAGNO THE MAN WHO SHAKES THE WORLD

THIS WAS MAGNO...THE MAN WHO WAS SHAKING THE WORLD! THE BLUE BEETLE, GUIDED BY RENEE DE BOIS, A FAMED FRENCH *SPELUNKER, HAD TRACKED MAGNO TO HIS INCREDIBLE LABORATORIES DEEP IN VAST CAVERNS UNDER THE EUROPEAN LAND MASS! THE BLUE BEETLE HAD FOUND HIM...BUT WOULD IT COST OUR HERO HIS LIFE IN THIS MOMENT OF DISCOVERY?


I HAVE WAITED A LONG TIME FOR THIS MOMENT, BLUE BEETLE...YOU SEE...I KNOW YOUR TRUE IDENTITY...DR. DAN GARRETT!
DR. GARRETT? BUT THAT ISN'T SO...
IF YOU KNOW WHO I AM...THEN DESTROY ME! LET THE GIRL GO, MAGNO-MAN!

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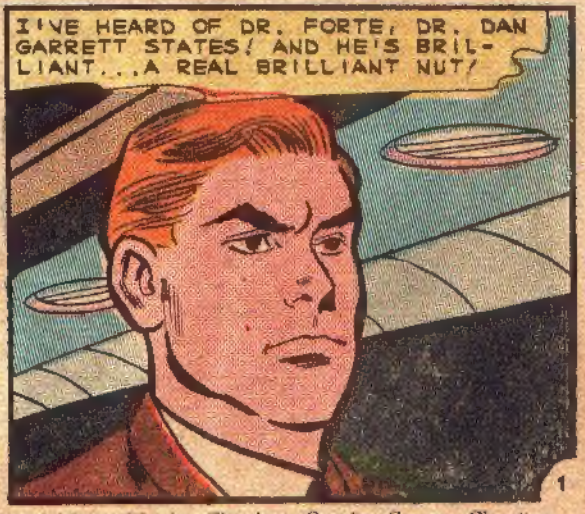
*SPELUNKER--CAVE EXPLORER

I TELL YOU, MAN LIVED IN THE GREAT CAVES BELOW THE SURFACE! DR. FORTE SCREAMED AT HIS DISBELIEVING COLLEAGUES! HE CAME FROM THE EARTH'S CORE...WE ARE NOT DESCENDED FROM THE APES AS YOU FOOLS INSIST!

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A MEETING OF THE FELLOWS OF THE NATURAL SCIENCES HAD BEEN ATTENDED BY DR. DAN GARRETT...WHERE A SPEAKER NAMED LOUIS FORTE HAD EXPOUNDED HIS UNIQUE THEORY ABOUT THE BEGINNINGS OF MANKIND...

...INDISPUTABLE PROOF THAT MAN IN PRE-HISTORIC DAYS INHABITED THE VAST CAVERNS WHICH WE NOW KNOW HONEYCOMB THE SUB-BASALTIC STRATA BELOW OUR LAND MASSES/ IF YOU WILL OBSERVE THE BONE STRUCTURE OF THIS SKULL...

YOU WILL NOTE THE PROGNATHOUS JAW, THE DOMED SKULL AND THE CRANIAL CONFIGURATION WHICH ARE SO MARKEDLY SIMILAR TO THOSE OF MODERN MAN/

DR. GARRETT'S LOVELY COMPANION HAD BEEN IMPRESSED BY THE DISSERTATION...

HE'S ABSOLUTELY BRILLIANT/ HE...

HE'S GOT ONE SKULL...WHICH MIGHT HAVE BEEN CARRIED BY AN ANIMAL INTO THE CAVERN WHERE HE SAYS HE FOUND IT/

AFTER TWO HOURS EXPOUNDING HIS IDEAS, THE SCIENTIST HAD PAUSED AND ASKED...

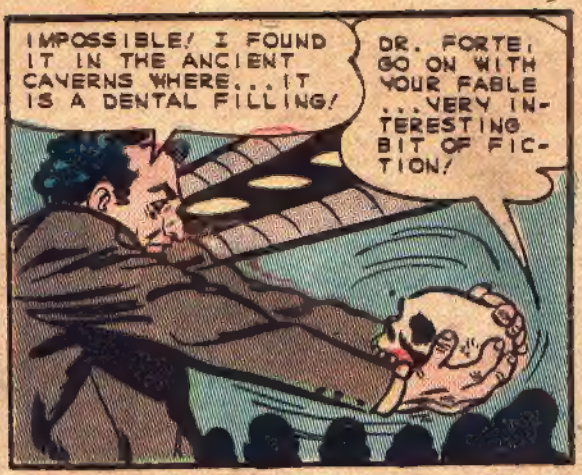
ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE I PROCEED?

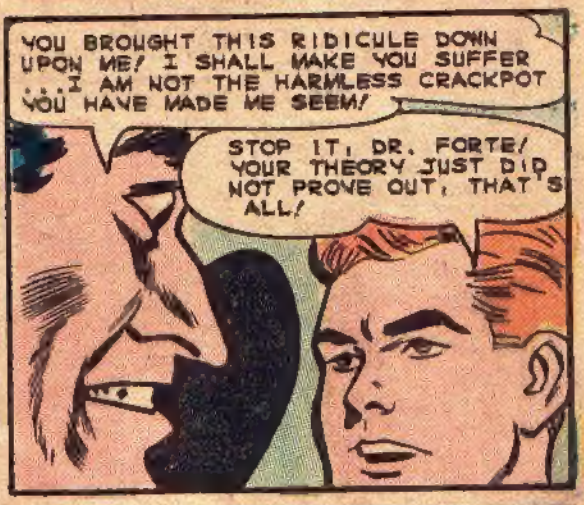
YES...

DR. GARRETT STUDIED THE HUMAN SKULL FOR A MOMENT, UNABLE TO HIDE HIS SMILE AND THEN ASKED...

MY ONLY QUESTION IS...

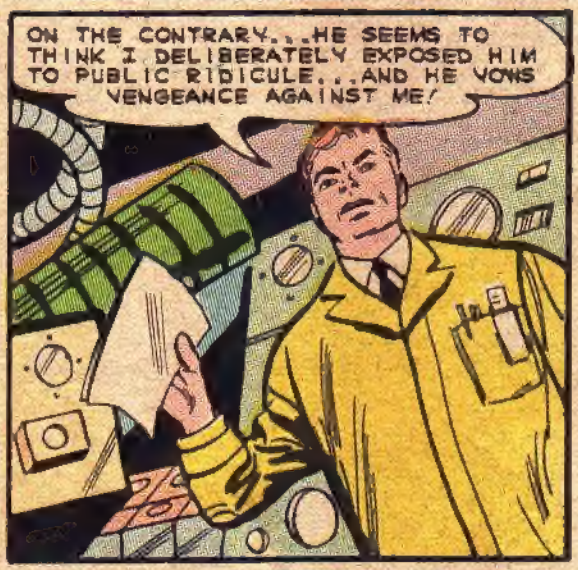
WHO WAS THIS FELLOW'S DENTIST? IF YOU'LL LOOK CLOSELY...YOU'LL FIND FILLINGS WHICH COULD NOT HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE BEFORE 1875... LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO!


IMPOSSIBLE! I FOUND IT IN THE ANCIENT CAVERNS WHERE...IT IS A DENTAL FILLING!
DR. FORTE, GO ON WITH YOUR FABLE ...VERY INTERESTING BIT OF FICTION!


YOU BROUGHT THIS RIDICULE DOWN UPON ME! I SHALL MAKE YOU SUFFER ...I AM NOT THE HARMLESS CRACKPOT YOU HAVE MADE ME SEEM!
STOP IT, DR. FORTE! YOUR THEORY JUST DID NOT PROVE OUT, THAT'S ALL!

SO FURIOUS, HE'D SEEMED TO RADIATE HATRED, FORTE FOCUSED ALL HIS MAD ANGER ON DR. DAN GARRETT!

PERHAPS A WEEK LATER, A LETTER CAME TO DR. DAN GARRETT! IT WAS FROM DR. LOUIS FORTE...
IS DR. FORTE APOLOGIZING FOR THE INCIDENT, DAN?



I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT CRACKPOT...SOMETHING ELSE CONCERNS ME MORE! DID YOU NOTICE THE SMALL ITEM CONCERNING THE EARTHQUAKE IN SWEDEN?
DAILY QUAKE

SWEDEN? THEY DO NOT HAVE EARTHQUAKES THERE, DO THEY?
EARTHQUAKES ARE OCCURRING IN STRANGE PLACES THESE DAYS! BUT IT IS WHAT OCCURS AFTER THE TEMBLORS CEASE WHICH INTRIGUES ME!

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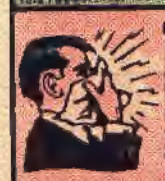

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THIS MASSIVE MACHINERY SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO A DEEP CREVICE WHICH HAD OPENED BY THE EARTHQUAKE...AFTER WHICH ANOTHER QUAKE OCCURRED AND THE CREVICE CLOSED... MAKING PURSUIT IMPOSSIBLE!

WHILE DR. GARRETT WAS READING ABOUT THESE DISASTERS, THE MAN WHO HAD CREATED THEM PLANNED NEW CATASTROPHES FROM HIS HEADQUARTERS IN HUGE CAVERNS BENEATH A FRENCH MOUNTAIN RANGE...

I TRAVELED BENEATH THE BRITISH INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX! WITH TWO OF THE NEW HYDRAULIC JACKS, MAGNO-MAN, I BELIEVE I CAN CAUSE AN EARTHQUAKE AT THE REQUIRED SPOT!

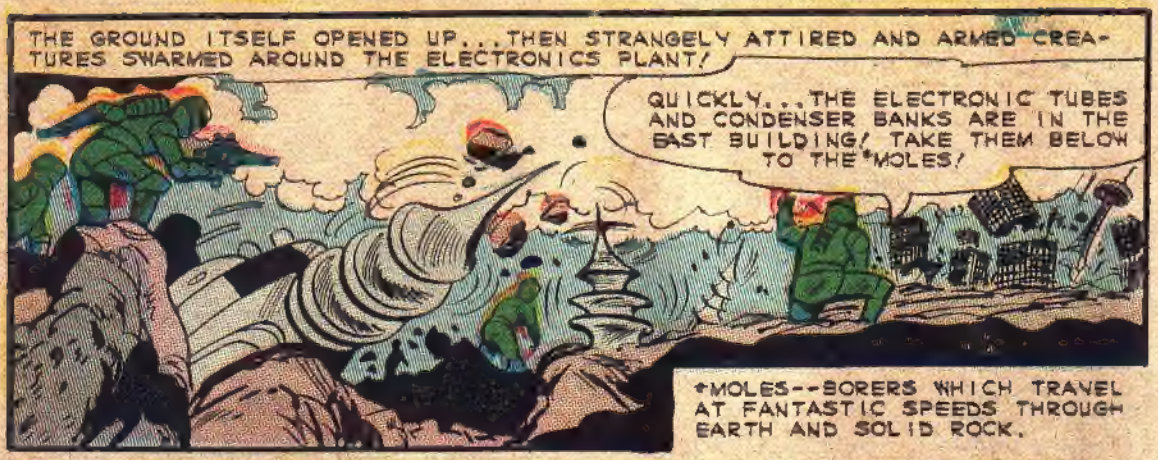
A SMALL NUCLEAR CHARGE EMPLOYED AFTER MAXIMUM STRAIN HAS BEEN CREATED BY THE JACKS WILL INSURE THE KIND OF TEMBLOR WE WANT! PROCEED ACCORDING TO MY PLAN...

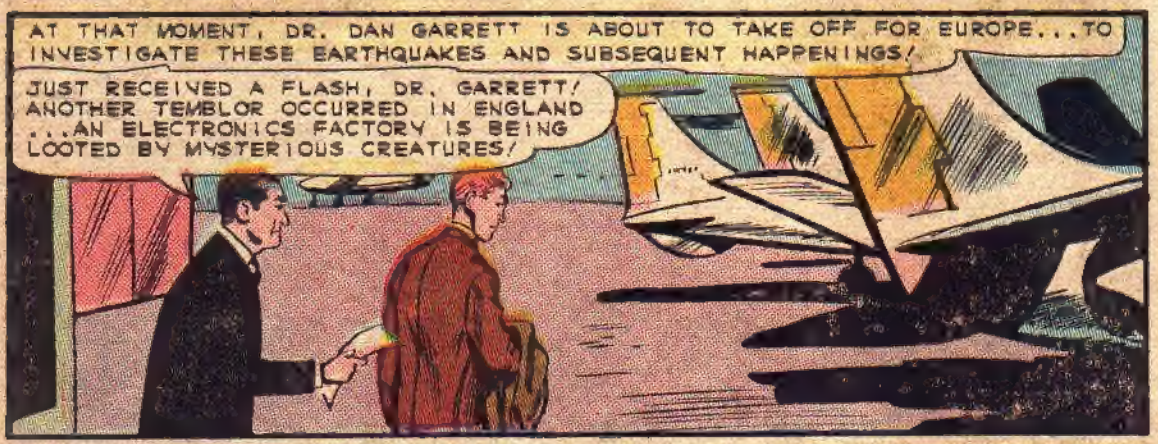
VERY SOON, DR. DAN GARRETT WILL BE DRAWN INTO MY TRAP! I'VE LEARNED HIS OTHER IDENTITY--AS BLUE BEETLE HE WILL INVESTIGATE MY LITTLE EARTHQUAKES--AND DIE!

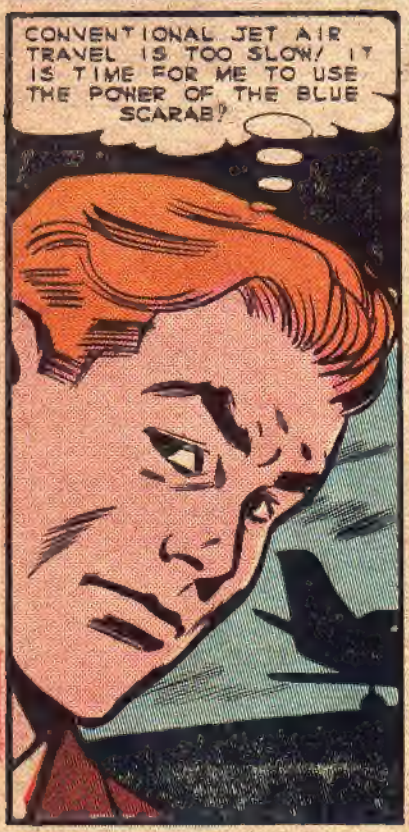
KRO MP!

THE EARTHQUAKE...CREATED BY MAGNO'S SUBTERRANEAN AGENTS... OCCURRED ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON WHEN NO WORKERS WOULD BE AT THEIR MACHINES!

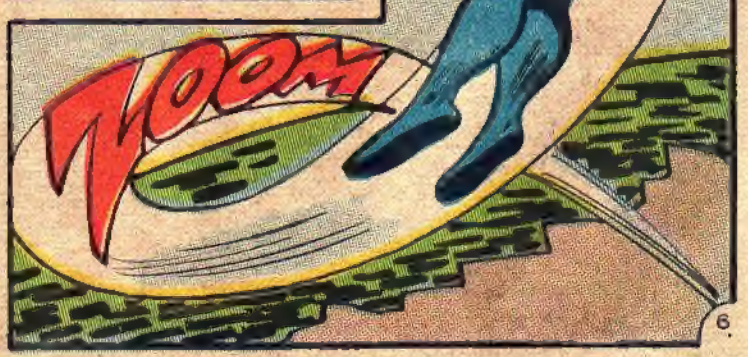
OPERATOR, THIS IS AN EMERGENCY! THE 'OLE BLINKIN' PLACE IS FALLIN' DOWN AROUND ME H'EARS! GET THE FIRE LADDIES HERE QUICKLY!


THE GROUND ITSELF OPENED UP...THEN STRANGELY ATTIRED AND ARMED CREATURES SWARMED AROUND THE ELECTRONICS PLANT!
QUICKLY...THE ELECTRONIC TUBES AND CONDENSER BANKS ARE IN THE EAST BUILDING! TAKE THEM BELOW TO THE *MOLES!
*MOLES--BORERS WHICH TRAVEL AT FANTASTIC SPEEDS THROUGH EARTH AND SOLID ROCK.


AT THAT MOMENT, DR. DAN GARRETT IS ABOUT TO TAKE OFF FOR EUROPE...TO INVESTIGATE THESE EARTHQUAKES AND SUBSEQUENT HAPPENINGS!
JUST RECEIVED A FLASH, DR. GARRETT! ANOTHER TEMBLOR OCCURRED IN ENGLAND ...AN ELECTRONICS FACTORY IS BEING LOOTED BY MYSTERIOUS CREATURES!


CONVENTIONAL JET AIR TRAVEL IS TOO SLOW! IT IS TIME FOR ME TO USE THE POWER OF THE BLUE SCARAB!

WITH THE ANCIENT BLUE SCARAB TAKEN FROM THE TOMB OF THE PHARAOHS, DR. GARRETT MURMURED TWO WORDS IN THE EGYPTIAN TONGUE! KAJI DHA! HE SAID.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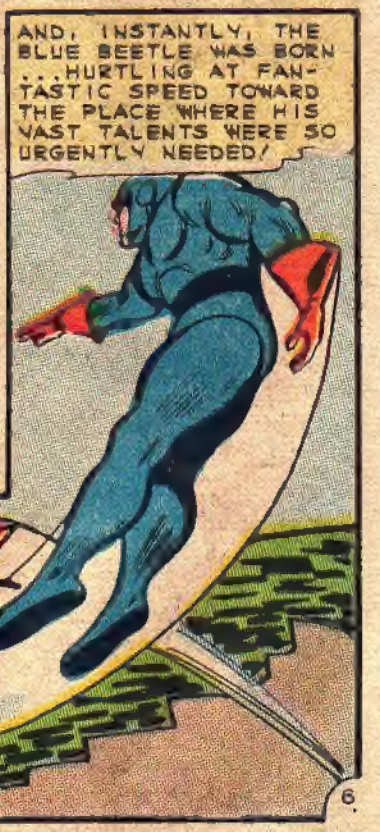
AND, INSTANTLY, THE BLUE BEETLE WAS BORN ...HURTLING AT FANTASTIC SPEED TOWARD THE PLACE WHERE HIS VAST TALENTS WERE SO URGENTLY NEEDED!

IN AN INCREDIBLY SHORT TIME THE FIGHTER OF EVIL WAS ON THE SCENE!
WHO IN ... IS BLUE BEETLE
I'VE READ OF YOU, BLUE BEETLE! YOU'VE GOT TO HELP US!
AN EARTHQUAKE OCCURRED OF WHAT STRENGTH DURATION AND HOW BAD IS THE DAMAGE?
THE QUAKE ITSELF WAS LOCAL, YOU MIGHT EVEN SAY IT WAS AIMED AT MY PLANT!
HIGHLY SECRET ELECTRONIC VALVES AND SUPER-HIGH-VOLTAGE COILS WERE TAKEN!
HMMM! AND WITH THESE BULKY ITEMS, THE PLUNDERERS VANISHED BACK INTO THE EARTH?
I SAY, OLD BOY, DON'T RUN OFF AND LEAVE US...
GAINING SUFFICIENT ALTITUDE, BLUE BEETLE TURNED AND ROARED STRAIGHT DOWN...
ZOOM
AND USING THE POWER OF THE BLUE SCARAB, HE BORED THROUGH THE EARTH ITSELF!

AS BLUE BEETLE TORE THROUGH ROCK AND THE EARTH, MAGNO-MAN GLOATINGLY WATCHED THE DIALS AND SCREEN OF A DETECTION DEVICE!
SOMETHING IS TRAVELING ALONG THE SAME ROUTE TAKEN BY OUR MOLES MASTER!
IT IS NOT A SOMETHING, FOOL... IT IS A MAN... YES, THE MOST POWERFUL HUMAN WHO EVER LIVED
...BESIDES ME, OF COURSE! THIS MAN'S NAME IS BLUE BEETLE... AND HE IS MY MORTAL ENEMY!
HURTLING THROUGH THE EARTH'S DENSE BASALT MASS, OBSERVING OTHER TUNNELS CREATED BY MAGNO-MAN'S MOLES, BLUE BEETLE'S SUPER-KEEN HEARING DETECTED THE SOUND OF RUNNING MACHINERY
I AM GETTING CLOSER TO WHATEVER IT IS WHICH CAUSES THOSE EARTHQUAKES!
EVERYONE REMAIN AT YOUR STATIONS! I WILL DEAL WITH THE BLUE BEETLE!
LOOK!
IF YOU TRY TO ATTACK ME OR ESCAPE, I WILL DESTROY YOU, BLUE BEETLE! I HOPED YOU WOULD COME HERE! EVER SINCE YOU MADE A FOOL OF ME AT OUR LAST MEETING!
OUR LAST MEETING? THEN YOU KNOW ME? AND YOU ARE...?
I KNOW YOU, DR. DAN GARRETT! AND I AM DR. LOUIS FORTE... MAGNO-MAN!
END PART I

# THE BEETLE'S NEST

Dear Editor

I think it's great the way you publish the names of other comic companies in your mags. To tell you the truth I used to buy only "D.C." and "Marvel" until I saw SON OF VULCAN so I bought it and then I discovered how great Charlton Comics are. Now every time I see a Charlton Comic I buy it automatically. Oh yes I like BLUE BEETLE. I wish you would make a BLUE BEETLE annual in the future months. I missed his origin and I think that would be great in a BLUE BEETLE annual

Ronnie Wise
Box 372
Webb, Miss.

**Dear Ronnie**

**A BLUE BEETLE annual. Hmmm? That's not a bad idea Ronnie, maybe we will put one out next summer**

Dear Editor:

I'm very glad Charlton has entered the super-hero field. There are so many heroes running around that sometimes they get lost in the shuffle.

The first issue of BB I bought was No. 3 and it was love at first sight. I managed to get BB No. 1 and No. 2 in trades.

You now have the name of the writer, artist, and inker on the first page. But, what about the letterer?

I will conclude this letter with a list of my favorites.

Favorite story — The Challenge of the Red Knight
Favorite cover — No. 1 and No. 3
Favorite villian — The Red Knight

Tony Isabella
11203 Peony
Cleveland, Ohio 44111

**Dear Tony**

**Whenever the letterer's name doesn't appear it's because the lettering is done on a special machine which we have invented. Most letterers live in New York City and we are about seventy miles away therefore lettering became so great a problem that we had to come up with out machine**

Dear Editor:

Your character, the Blue Beetle, is improving tremendously over the last few issues. Although he is not as good as his predecessor in the Golden Forties, he is taking on certain original characteristics of his own. His civilian identity as a scientist is good, but this idea is being used too much by other companies. Why don't you give him back his role of policeman like he had in the forties? This was one of the greatest civilian roles in that age of comics.

The issue with the Scorpion was just average as far as I was concerned. I never did like the way Charlton continually used mechanical monsters or the use of certain hideous looking freaks. This issue was a good example of this. I know that the younger set of readers buy the main bulk of your magazines and that you wish to please them, but I wish you would get away from this and give a more adult line of science fiction. If this doesn't work, then give the Beetle the kind of action he had in the forties. This was another distinguishing mark that made the Beetle an immortal super star.

I hope you take my remarks with an open mind and consider my opinions for what they are worth. I have always been a fan of Charlton and hope it becomes as great as some of the other companies

Gary Hornback
4308 Quiet Way
Louisville, Ky. 40219

**Dear Gary**

**Thank you for your letter and constructive comments. Unfortunately the only gauge that we have (other than letters) of when we are on the right track is how a comic sells. It looks like our new BB, scientist and all is doing better than his predecessor of the Forties. The Scorpion issue has pulled more mail than any of the others so far. So how can we figure it, Gary? We work, we try and try again. Suggestions like yours help us because that forces us to think harder. Keep them coming**


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Dear Editor

I'm glad that I was one of the ten winners in the BLUE BEETLE contest. I thank you for the original artwork. Please give us an origin of Blue Beetle as I missed the very first issue. What happened to Fly Man and Fly Girl? I think you should have a girl crime fighter. What is Blue Beetle's weakness?

Daniel Leong
623 Reservoir Ave.
Cranston 10, R.I.

**Dear Daniel**

**Glad to hear you liked your prize. If you go back to the last issue (No. 30 August) you will find a recap of Beetle's origin. As far as Fly Man and Fly Girl are concerned we are a bit puzzled by what you mean. A girl crime fighter doesn't seem to sell these days so we are sticking with men**

Dear Editor

I think BLUE BEETLE is really fantastic, and your new super hero SON OF VULCAN is great.

I think Blue Beetle, Captain Atom, and Son of Vulcan should form a crime fighting group, how about it. Please give all your super-heroes a letter page.

Danny Bell
123 Shannon Street
Dayton 7, Ohio

**Dear Danny**

**Thank you for the compliment. Your suggestion of forming a crime fighting group sounds pretty good. Other fans have suggested this too and we are giving it serious consideration. In our last issue, David Lewis of Marshal, Indiana suggested calling the group, 'THE ALLIES'. How does that name strike you?**

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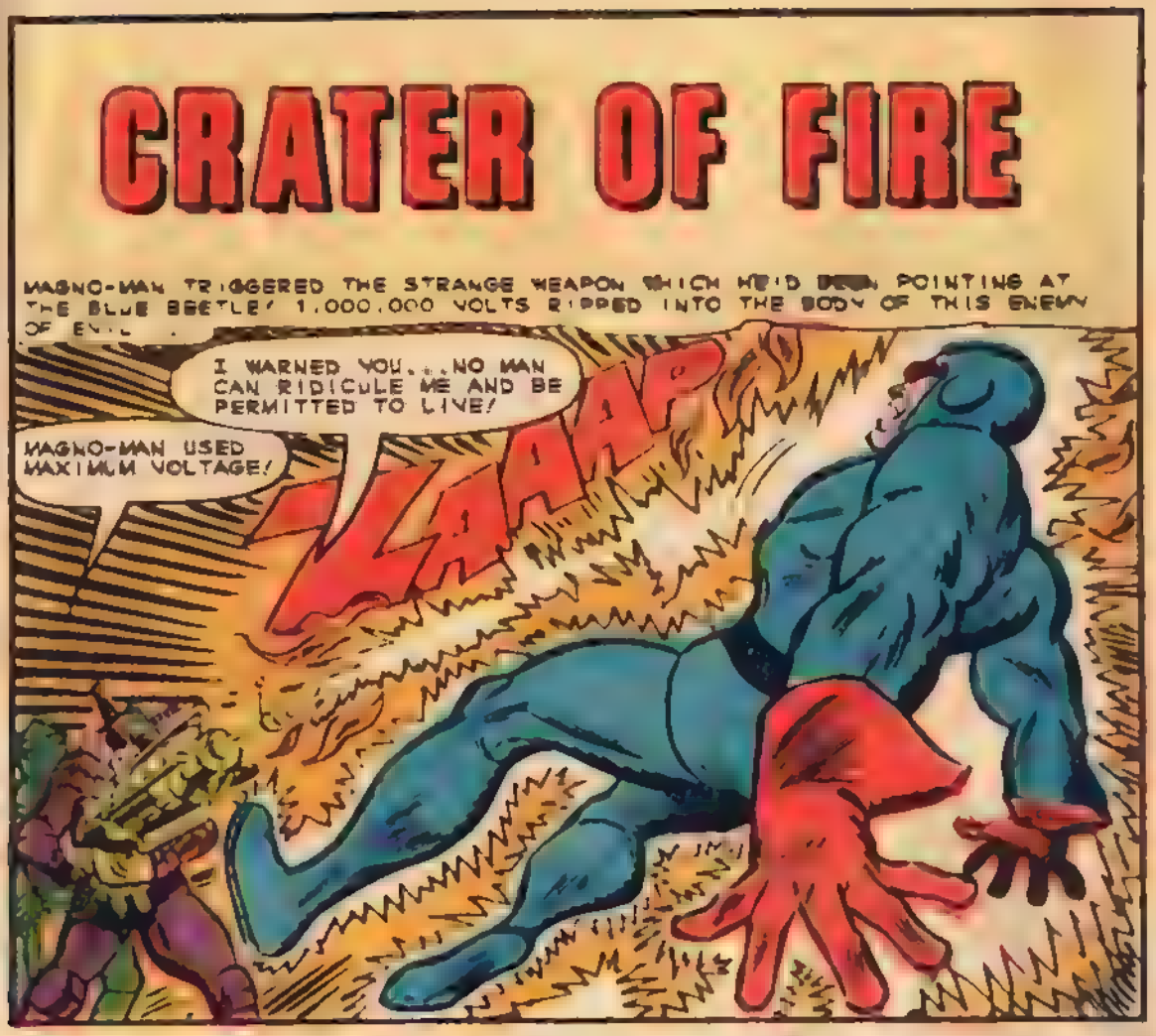
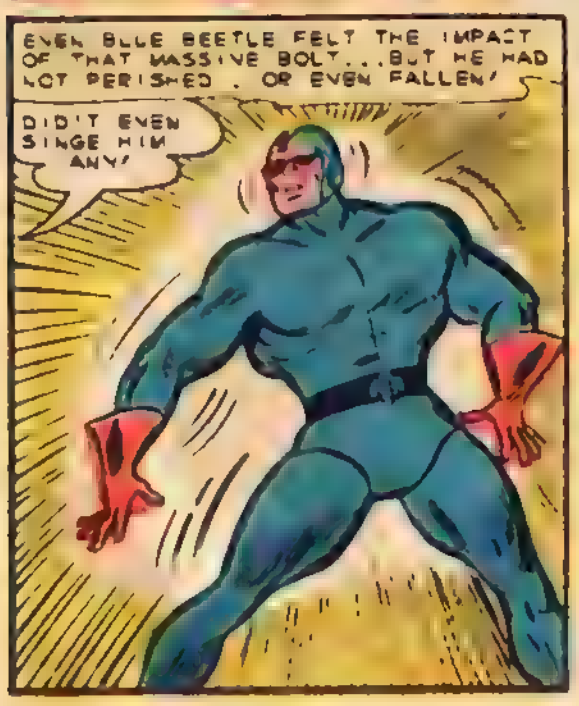
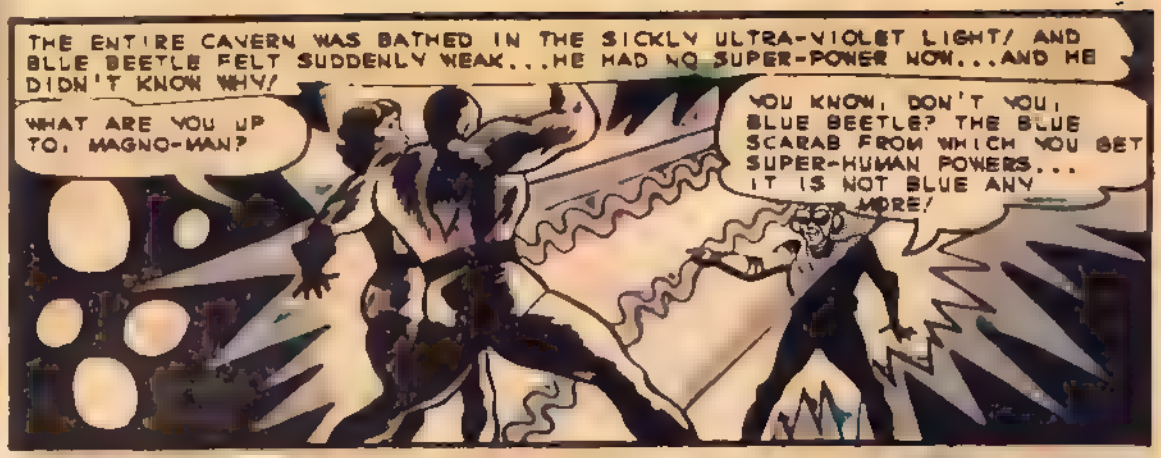
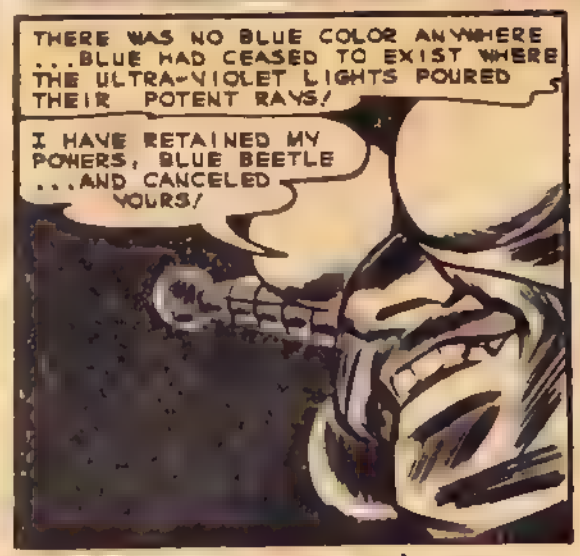

MAGNO-MAN TRIGGERED THE STRANGE WEAPON WHICH HE'D BEEN POINTING AT THE BLUE BEETLE! 1,000,000 VOLTS RIPPED INTO THE BODY OF THIS ENEMY OF EVIL.
I WARNED YOU...NO MAN CAN RIDICULE ME AND BE PERMITTED TO LIVE!
MAGNO-MAN USED MAXIMUM VOLTAGE!
KAAAP!



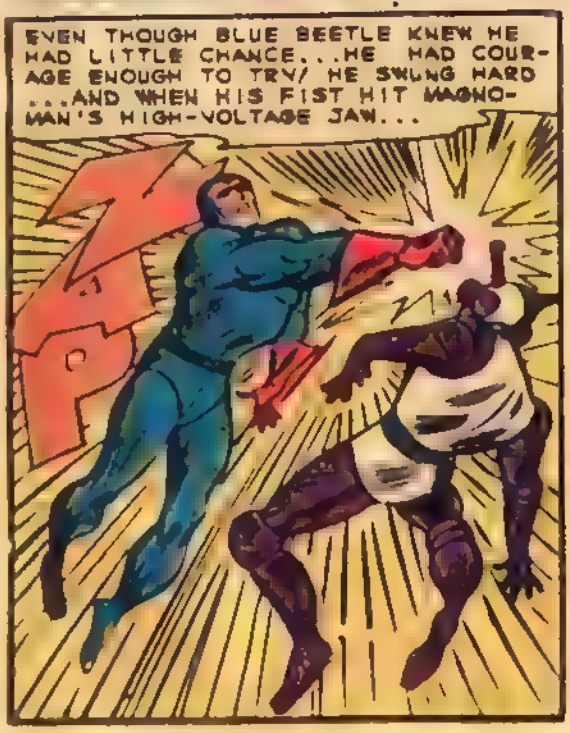
I DON'T UNDERSTAND!
I AM NOT MERE FLESH AND BLOOD, MAGNO-MAN! I HAVE SPECIAL PROPERTIES. ONE OF WHICH IS TO RECEIVE AND STORE POWER! THAT VOLTAGE YOU HURLED AT ME...IS MINE.

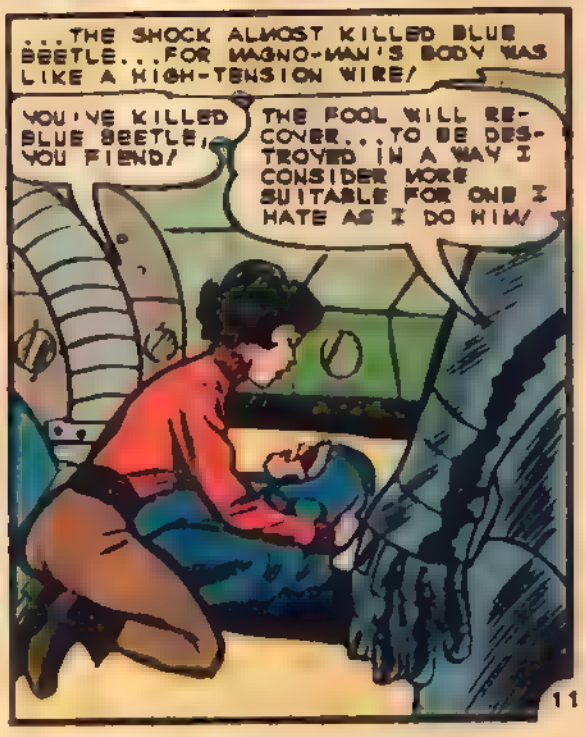
THE BLUE BEETLE'S HAND WAS SUDDENLY OUTTHRUST...AND MANMADE LIGHTNING FLICKERED AT HIS FINGER TIPS!
...TO USE AS I SEE FIT! I RETURN ONLY A LITTLE, MAGNO-MAN...ENOUGH TO PROVE THAT I COULD KILL YOU IF THAT IS WHAT I DESIRED!
MERCY, BLUE BEETLE...LET ME LIVE! THERE IS SOMETHING I MUST TELL YOU...
TALK FAST... BEFORE I DESTROY THIS VAST COMPLEX WHICH YOU CREATED TO REALIZE YOUR EVIL DREAMS OF GLORY!
YOU ARE THE SECOND INTRUDER TO COME HERE TODAY, BLUE BEETLE! THIS LOVELY LADY ARRIVED SHORTLY BEFORE YOU BURST UPON THE SCENE!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, M'AM?
OUI, MONSIEUR... BUT I WAS VERY FRIGHTENED! I AM WHAT YOU AMERICANS CALL A SPELUNKER...AN EXPLORER OF CAVES! I FELL DOWN A CREVICE AND WAS STUNNED...I AWAKENED...HERE!
YOU SOFT-HEARTED FOOL! YOU HAVE PLAYED INTO MY CLEVER HANDS, BLUE BEETLE!
FLICKING A SWITCH, MAGNO-MAN CAUSED A BATTERY OF STRANGE LAMPS TO SHINE...A WEIRD VIOLET LIGHT ...AND THE COLOR WAS SIGNIFICANT!
NOW, BLUE BEETLE ...YOU ARE HELPLESS!


THE ENTIRE CAVERN WAS BATHED IN THE SICKLY ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT/ AND BLUE BEETLE FELT SUDDENLY WEAK...HE HAD NO SUPER-POWER NOW...AND HE DIDN'T KNOW WHY/
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, MAGNO-MAN?
YOU KNOW, DON'T YOU, BLUE BEETLE? THE BLUE SCARAB FROM WHICH YOU GET SUPER-HUMAN POWERS... IT IS NOT BLUE ANY MORE/


THERE WAS NO BLUE COLOR ANYWHERE ...BLUE HAD CEASED TO EXIST WHERE THE ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHTS POURED THEIR POTENT RAYS/
I HAVE RETAINED MY POWERS, BLUE BEETLE ...AND CANCELED YOURS/

I'M NOT COMPLETELY HELPLESS/


EVEN THOUGH BLUE BEETLE KNEW HE HAD LITTLE CHANCE...HE HAD COURAGE ENOUGH TO TRY/ HE SWUNG HARD ...AND WHEN HIS FIST HIT MAGNO-MAN'S HIGH-VOLTAGE JAW...


...THE SHOCK ALMOST KILLED BLUE BEETLE...FOR MAGNO-MAN'S BODY WAS LIKE A HIGH-TENSION WIRE/
YOU'VE KILLED BLUE BEETLE, YOU FIEND/
THE FOOL WILL RECOVER...TO BE DESTROYED IN A WAY I CONSIDER MORE SUITABLE FOR ONE I HATE AS I DO HIM/

MAGNO-MAN WAS RIGHT, OF COURSE...BLUE BEETLE LURCHED TO HIS FEET A MOMENT
LET HER GO, MAGNO-MAN ..I AM THE ONE YOU HATE, NOT SHE!
SHE WILL BE SPARED, BLUE BEETLE!
I HAVE A METHOD OF ERASING ALL THAT SHE HAS SEEN DOWN HERE FROM HER MIND...MY IDENTITY...YOUR REAL NAME...THE EXISTENCE OF ALL THAT I'VE BUILT! YES...I SHALL LET HER LIVE...AFTER YOU ARE GONE!
THIS IS HORRIBLE! IT IS LIKE A LIVING NIGHTMARE!
DO AS MAGNO ORDERS MADEMOISELLE FOR HE IS A RUTHLESS MAN AND HE WILL DESTROY YOU IF YOU THWART HIM!
THERE IS YOUR FATE, BLUE BEETLE! ..HOTTER THAN ANYTHING EXCEPT THE MOLTEN MASS OF THE SUN! ENTER AND DIE SO!
IF I REFUSE?
THEN, THE GIRL GOES TOO...AND YOU WILL DIE TOGETHER!
YOU WIN, DR. FORTE...BUT YOU ARE MAD AND ALL THIS WILL ACCOMPLISH NOTHING!

I MAY BE A LITTLE MAD, BLUE BEETLE . BUT I HAVE GOALS AND THESE WILL BE ATTAINED! I WILL RULE THE WORLD... I HAVE UNLIMITED POWER! I CAN DESTROY ANY NATION... WITH EARTHQUAKES OR VOLCANIC FIRE. AND YOU HAVE HAD A SAMPLE OF MY ELECTRICAL CAPABILITIES!
THE HUGE GENERATORS BROADCAST MILLIONS OF ELECTRICAL VOLTS... WHICH I RECEIVE IN THESE ANTENNAE...AND WHICH I AM ABLE TO DIRECT AT ANY PERSON OR OBJECT WHICH I DESIRE TO DESTROY! I HAVE SUPERIOR INTELLIGENCE . AND OTHER WEAPONS!
BARON
MAGNO HURLS A CHARGE AT BLUE AND THE
SENT HIM
BACKWARD
FLAMES
YOU ARE BATHED IN ULTRA-VIOLET LI BLUE BEETLE! THE LIGHTS WILL BE ON YOU EVEN AS YOU GO INTO THE FLAMING CRATER
...AND YOUR SUPER-POWERS WILL NOT RETURN IN TIME TO SAVE YOU!
SUDDENLY, THE WEAKENING VIOLET RAYS HAD LOST THEIR DEBILITATING POWER! THE BLUE BEETLE WAS BLUE AGAIN
INFRA-RED RAYS.. CREATED IN THE SEARING FLAMES OF THE CRATER!
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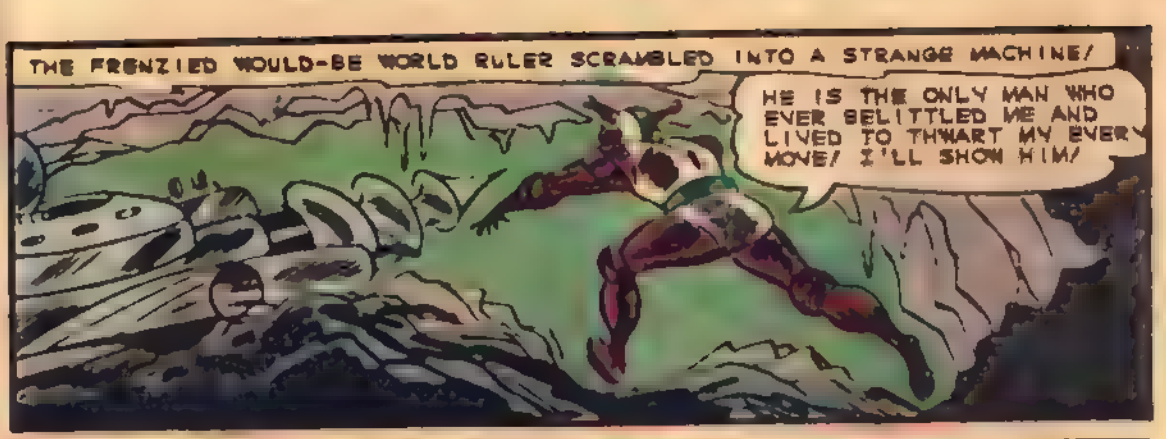
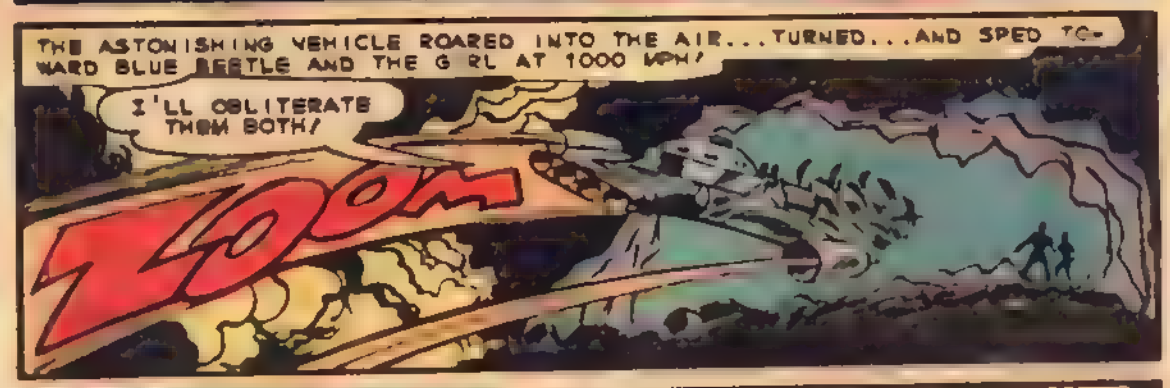
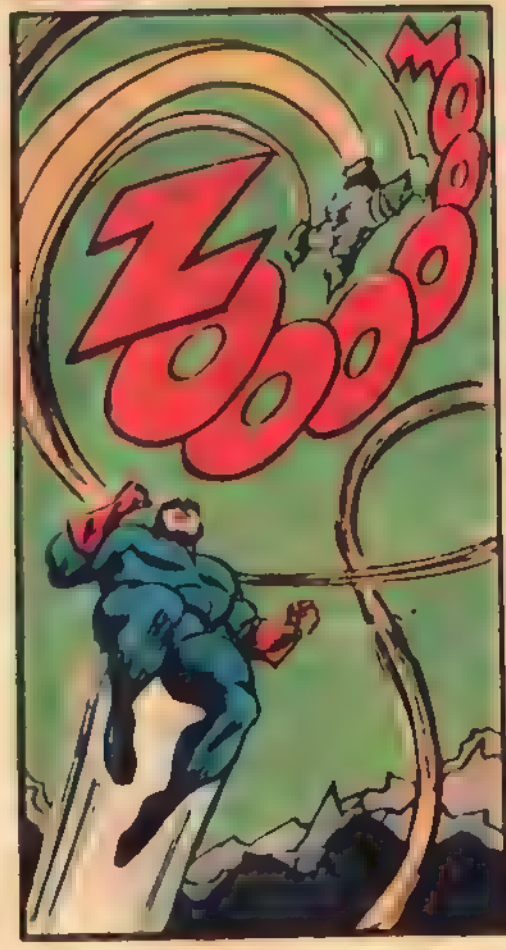
FREE FROM THE VIOLET LIGHT-RAY...BLUE BEETLE SUMMONED THE POWER OF THE POTENT BLUE SCARAB ..AND THE FLAMES HAD NO POWER TO GIVE PAIN OR CAUSE DEATH!
THE VOLCANIC FIRE EMITS INFRA-RED RAYS WHICH CANCEL THE ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT! NOW I HAVE POWER...
GATHERING THE SEARING FLAMES INTO ONE VAST INFRA-RED-RADIATING BALL, BLUE BEETLE WAS READY TO COUNTER-ACT ONE OF MAGNO'S MANY WEAPONS!
AND HEADED BACK INTO THE CAVERN ..WHERE MAGNO-MAN'S DEADLY ULTRA-VIOLET GENERATORS STILL BURNED!
I'VE GOT ONE VAST MASS OF CONCENTRATED INFRA-RED LIGHT IN MY HANDS...
THE TREMENDOUS HEAT DID MORE THAN NEUTRALIZE THE ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT ...THE STRAIN WAS TOO MUCH FOR THE LAMPS ..AND THEY SHATTERED, ONE AFTER ANOTHER!
YOU LUCKY FOOL! YOU'VE FOILED ME...BUT I'LL DEFEAT YOU ONE WAY OR ANOTHER!
KRASH


THE FRENZIED WOULD-BE WORLD RULER SCRAMBLED INTO A STRANGE MACHINE/
HE IS THE ONLY MAN WHO EVER BELITTLED ME AND LIVED TO THWART MY EVERY MOVE/ I'LL SHOW HIM/


THE ASTONISHING VEHICLE ROARED INTO THE AIR...TURNED...AND SPED TOWARD BLUE BEETLE AND THE GIRL AT 1000 MPH/
I'LL OBLITERATE THEM BOTH/
ZOOM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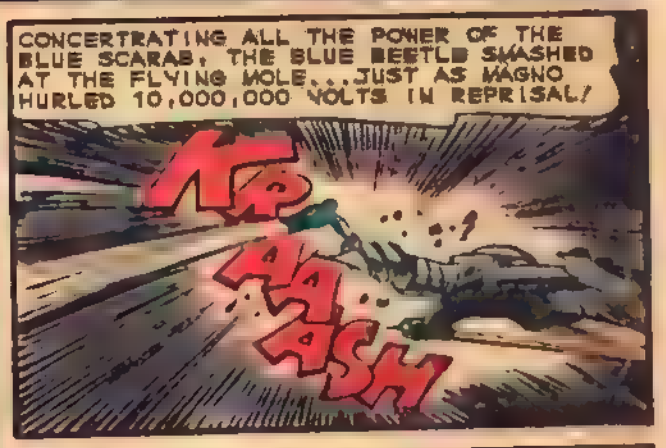
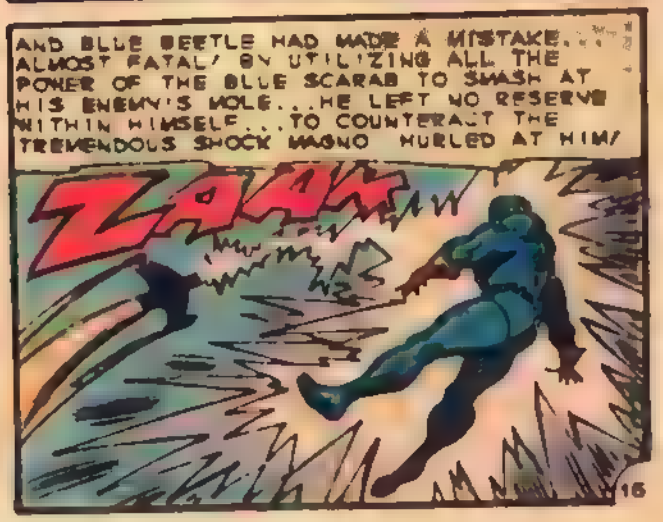

CONCERTRATING ALL THE POWER OF THE BLUE SCARAB, THE BLUE BEETLE SMASHED AT THE FLYING MOLE...JUST AS MAGNO HURLED 10,000,000 VOLTS IN REPRISAL/
KRAAAASH


AND BLUE BEETLE HAD MADE A MISTAKE...ALMOST FATAL/ BY UTILIZING ALL THE POWER OF THE BLUE SCARAB TO SMASH AT HIS ENEMY'S MOLE...HE LEFT NO RESERVE WITHIN HIMSELF...TO COUNTERACT THE TREMENDOUS SHOCK MAGNO HURLED AT HIM/
ZAAM

...WITH A GLOAT HE LAUGHED, MAGNO ROARED AWAY ..LEAVING THE FIELD A SHAMBLES... AND BLUE BEETLE ALMOST DEAD!
I LET YOU LIVE, BLUE BEETLE... SO YOU CAN REALIZE THE DEPTH OF YOUR DEFEAT! I AM GOING TO DESTROY...
...YOUR GREAT CITIES, ONE BY ONE!
ARE YOU GOING TO LET HIM DO IT? MILLIONS WILL DIE UNLESS YOU...
HE HAS DEFEATED ME, MADEMOISELLE!
THE ENTIRE CAVERN HAD BEEN BUGGED AND THE MAGNO-MAN GLOATED AS HE HEARD HIS MORTAL ENEMY'S ABJECT ADMISSION OF DEFEAT! HE HAD WON... AND NOW THE WORLD WAS HIS!
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14. As Usual
15. [illegible] Um Um Um
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17. Anyone Who Had A Heart
18. Somewhere
19. Bossa Nova Baby
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22. Tie Me Kangaroo Down Sport
23. A Day And A Night Of The Night
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30. Be My Baby
31. Then He Kissed Me
32. A Walkin Miracle
33. Do You Love Me
34. Once Upon A Time
35. Three Window Coupe
36. Peggy O'Neil
37. Baby I'm
38. Leader Of The Pack
39. [illegible]
40. The Door Is Still Open To My Heart
41. I Feel Fine
42. Come See About Me
43. Dear Heart
44. The Wedding
45. She Is A
46. Amor
47. Dang Me
48. The [illegible] Ordinary From Pasadena
49. Under The Boardwalk
50. Rag Doll
51. Wishin And Hopin
52. Nobody I Know
53. Judy's Turn To Cry
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55. Green Green
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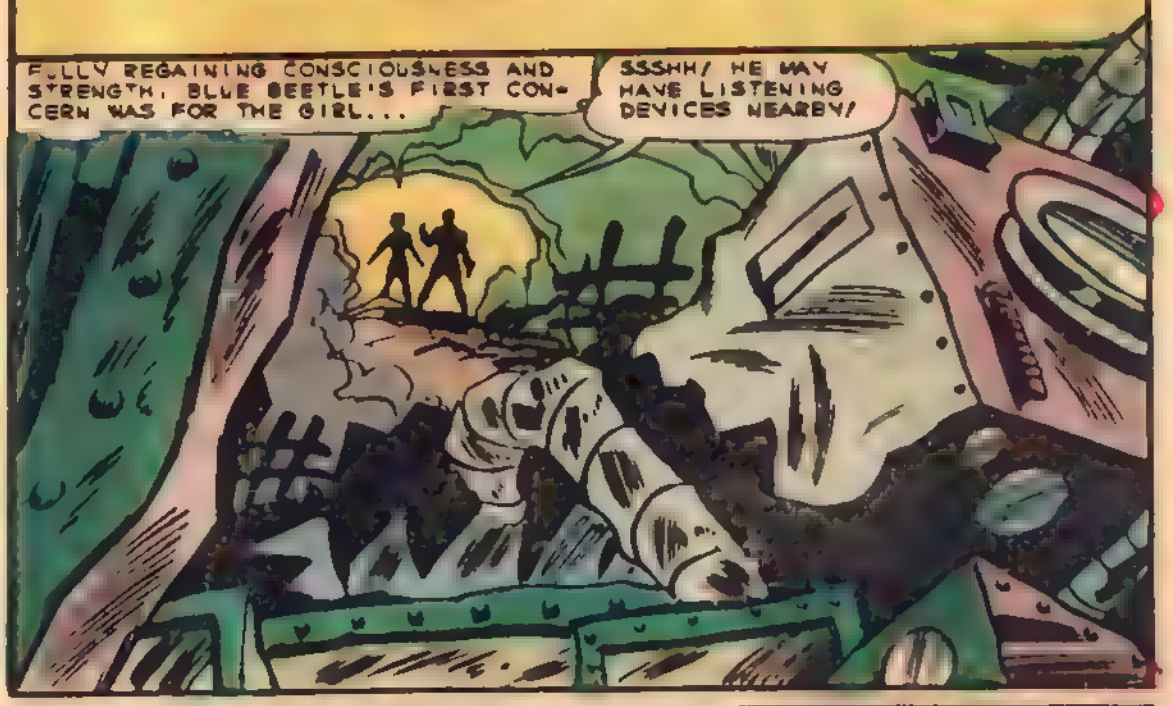
FULLY REGAINING CONSCIOUSNESS AND STRENGTH, BLUE BEETLE'S FIRST CONCERN WAS FOR THE GIRL...
SSSHH! HE MAY HAVE LISTENING DEVICES NEARBY!

I'M SAFE HERE...THOSE CREATURES ARE HARMLESS WITHOUT THEIR MASTER TO TELL THEM WHAT TO DO! GO... FIND THAT MONSTER AND SAVE OUR WORLD WHILE YOU STILL CAN!

SPEWED OUT OF THE FLAMING MAW, BLUE BEETLE WAS ON HIS WAY
WHOOSH
AS HE ROARED TOWARD THE NORTH AMERICAN CONTINENT...HIS MIND RECEIVED A RADIO BROADCAST...AND HE KNEW WHERE TO SEEK HIS ENEMY!
A SERIES OF EARTHQUAKES HAVE DONE MODERATE DAMAGE IN OUR SOUTHERN CITIES...
...AND NEW YORK HAS REPORTED SLIGHT TREMORS WHICH SEEM TO BE INCREASING IN VIOLENCE!
FIND HIM.
HE'S DOWN THERE SOMEWHERE ...IN THE BEDROCK BENEATH NEW YORK CITY!
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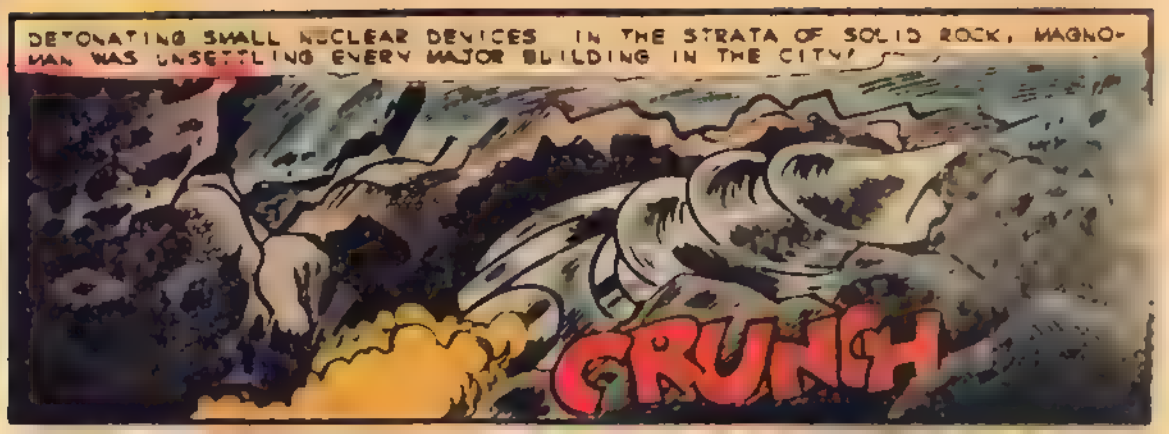
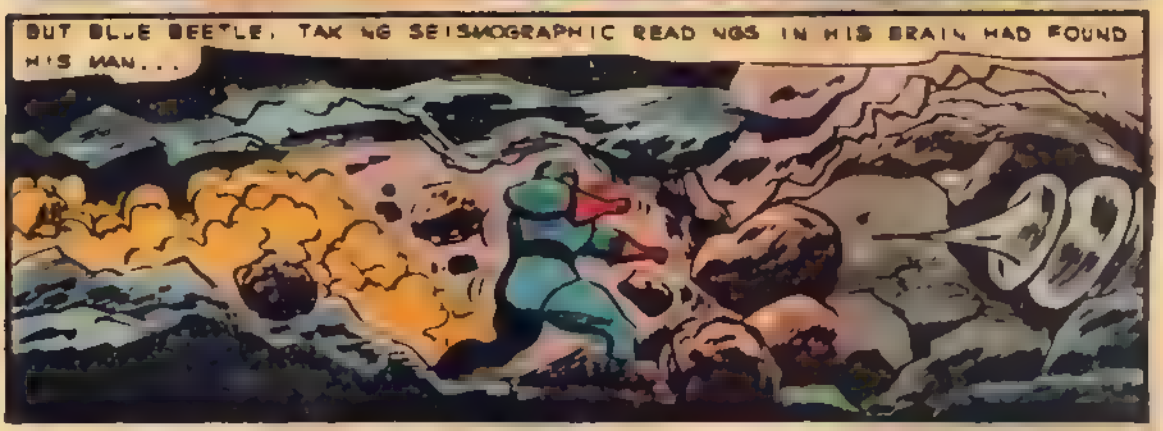

DETONATING SMALL NUCLEAR DEVICES IN THE STRATA OF SOLID ROCK, MAGNO-MAN WAS UNSETTLING EVERY MAJOR BUILDING IN THE CITY!
CRUNCH


BUT BLUE BEETLE, TAKING SEISMOGRAPHIC READINGS IN HIS BRAIN HAD FOUND HIS MAN...

THE IMPACT WAS TREMENDOUS! GREATER THAN THE NUCLEAR BLASTS MAGNO-MAN HAD BEEN CAUSING...AND NOW, A BAD EARTHQUAKE WAS ABOUT TO HIT THE GREATEST CITY ON EARTH!
GOT YOU.
KRASH

THERE WAS NO TIME TO MAKE SURE THAT MAGNO-MAN WAS DEAD! BLUE BEETLE CHANGED COURSE...ARROWING UPWARD!
EVERY BUILDING IN NEW YORK WILL CRASH IN RUBBLE IN 30 SECONDS!

TRAVELING AT FANTASTIC SPEED, BLUE BEETLE SAW THE TREMENDOUS BUILDINGS OF THE CITY ROCKING TO AND FRO... IN SECONDS THEY'D CRASH TO THE GROUND!
GOT TO WORK FAST! EMPIRE STATE BUILDING FIRST...
SPLASH
STEADY, THERE!
FALLING BUILDINGS WERE SNATCHED BACK FROM DUSTY OBLIVION AND RESTORED IN SECONDS! HE EVEN HAD TIME FOR... THE STATUE OF LIBERTY!
STEADY, GIRL!
THEN...THE CHORE WAS DONE...AND MAGNO-MAN'S LAST ATTEMPT TO SUBJUGATE MANKIND HAD BEEN DEFEATED!
I LOOKED FOR HIM...AND I COULDN'T EVEN FIND THE WRECKAGE OF THE MOLE! HE'S DOWN THERE...BURIED BENEATH A TRILLION TONS OF SOLID ROCK!
BUT IS MAGNO-MAN DEAD? AND HOW ABOUT THE MUMMY, THE CRAB MAN, MR. THUNDERBOLT, AND MANTIS MAN? SEE OUR NEXT ISSUE FOR ANOTHER SPINE-TINGLING BLUE BEETLE ADVENTURE!
END

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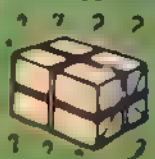

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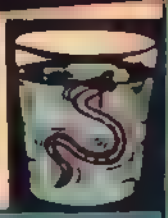

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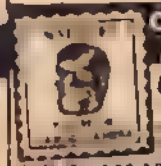

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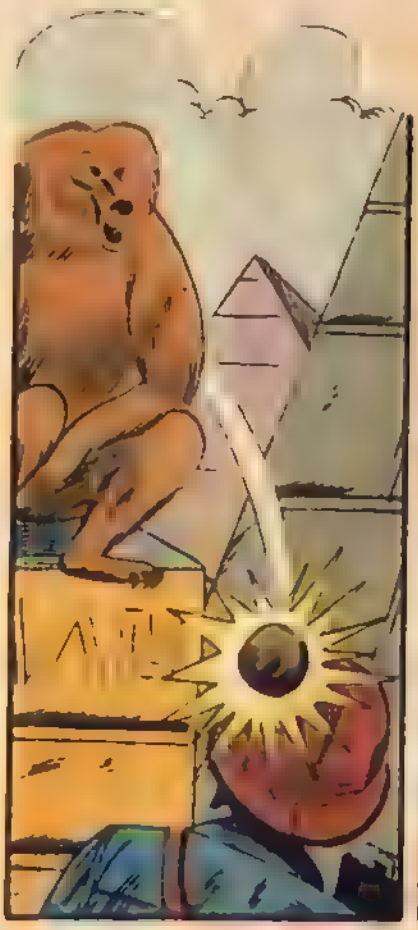

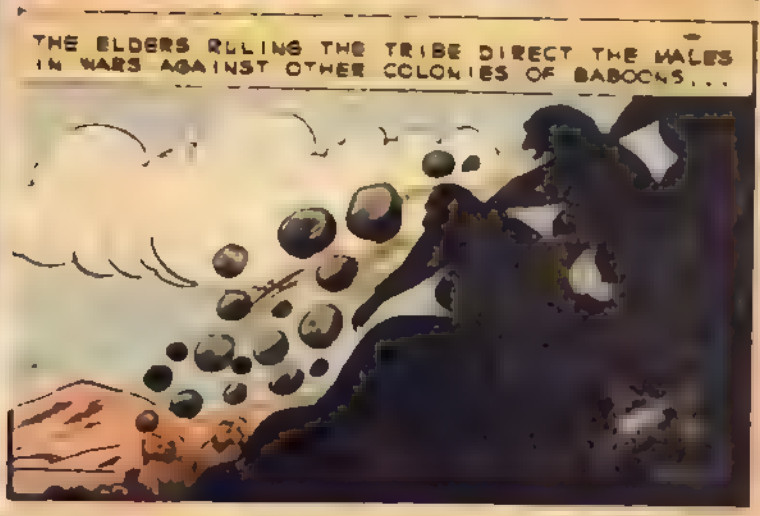


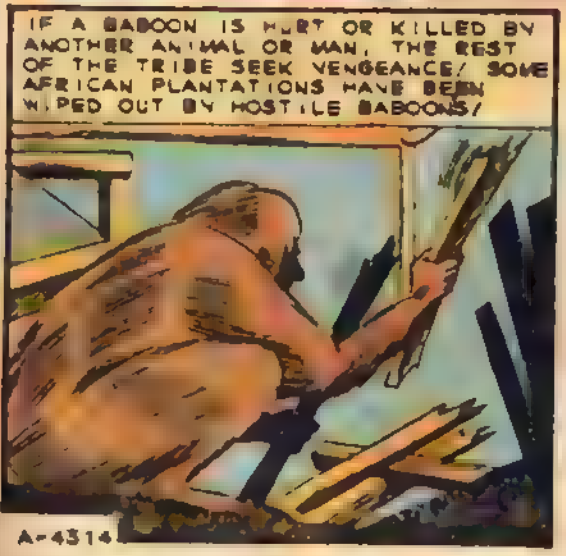
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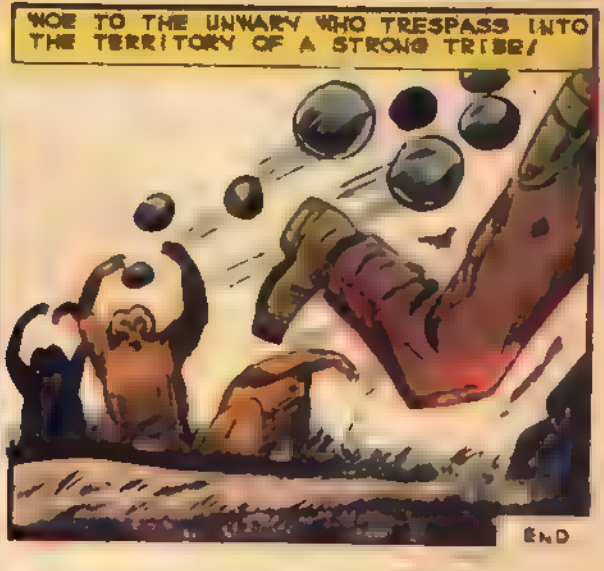


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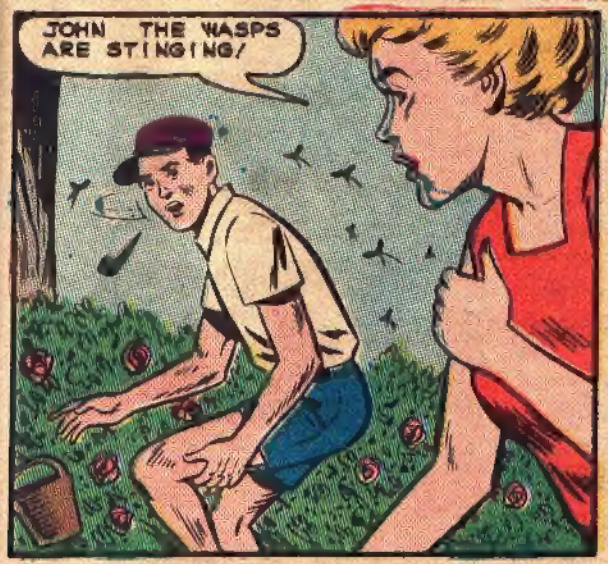
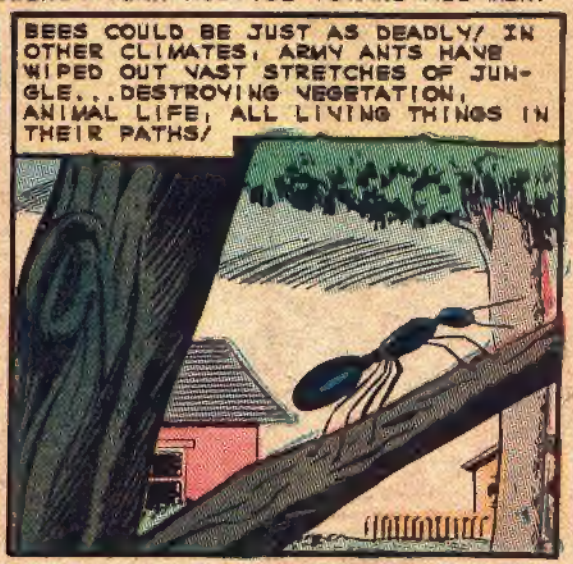
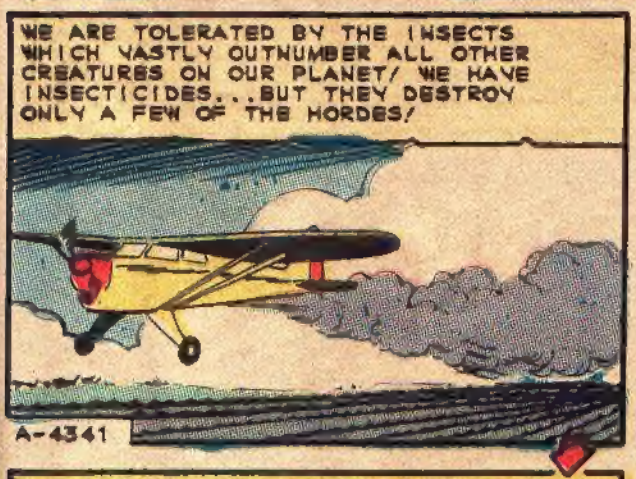
# THE INSECT WORLD

MAN RULES THE EARTH...AND SMUGLY IMAGINES THAT HE HAS HIS NATURAL ENEMIES HELD IN CHECK! BUT HAS HE DEMONSTRATED HIS MIGHT OVER THE INSECT KINGDOM? ISN'T MAN ONLY TOLERATED? WHAT IF, FOR INSTANCE, THE COMMON, GARDEN VARIETY WASP WERE TO SUDDENLY TURN HOSTILE TOWARD ALL MEN?





BEES COULD BE JUST AS DEADLY! IN OTHER CLIMATES, ARMY ANTS HAVE WIPED OUT VAST STRETCHES OF JUNGLE...DESTROYING VEGETATION, ANIMAL LIFE, ALL LIVING THINGS IN THEIR PATHS!


WE ARE TOLERATED BY THE INSECTS WHICH VASTLY OUTNUMBER ALL OTHER CREATURES ON OUR PLANET! WE HAVE INSECTICIDES...BUT THEY DESTROY ONLY A FEW OF THE HORDES!
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THE INSECTS COULD EVEN DESTROY US... BY STAYING AWAY! THE BEE...POLLINATES THE FRUIT BLOSSOMS, FLOWERS, FOOD CROPS...AND WITHOUT HIM, MAN WOULD SOON STARVE!
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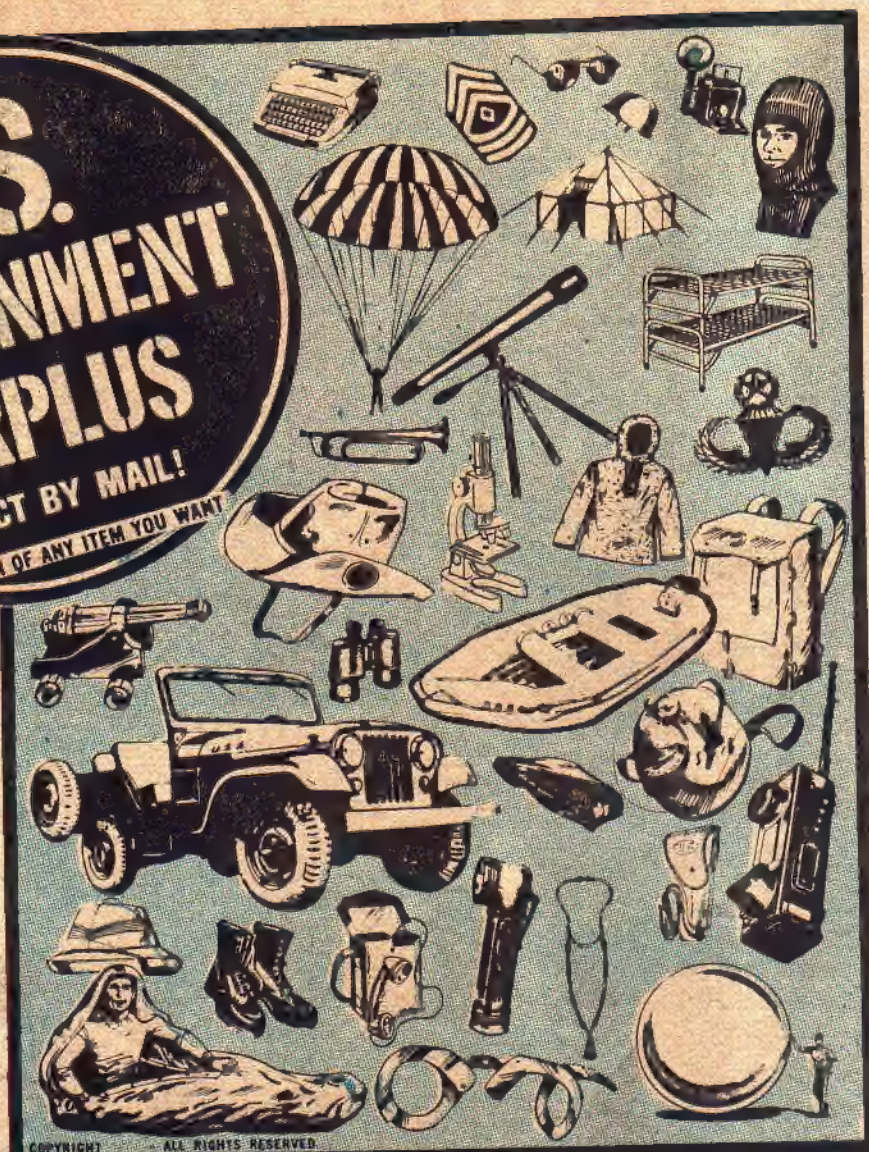

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